

## CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

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eighteen hundred and sixty-five, be extended to the first day of June in the year eighteen hundred and sixty-six.

*Resolved*, That for and during one year next succeeding the passage of this resolve, it shall be lawful for any county, city, town, corporation or person to pay or receive interest and to contract to pay or receive interest, for any period of time, not exceeding one year, and at a rate not exceeding seven and three-tenths per centum per annum.

Rate of interest  
between persons  
or corporations  
for one year may  
be 7-3-10 per cent.

*Approved May 17, 1865.*

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION.

The following proposed Article of Amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth having been officially certified and deposited in this department, under requirement of an Act of the legislature of 1865, relating to the publication of such proposed amendments, the same is herewith published, in compliance with said Act, for the public information required by the Constitution :

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION, TO SECURE THE ELECTIVE FRANCHISE TO THE VOTERS OF THIS COMMONWEALTH ABSENT THEREFROM IN THE MILITARY OR NAVAL SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES.

*Resolved*, By both houses, the same being agreed to by a majority of the senators and two-thirds of the members of the house of representatives present and voting thereon, that it is expedient to alter the constitution of this Commonwealth, by adopting the subjoined article of amendment ; and that the same, as thus agreed to, be entered on the journals of both houses, with the yeas and nays taken thereon, and referred to the general court next to be chosen ; and that the same be published, to the end that if agreed to by the general court next to be chosen, in the manner provided in the constitution, it may be submitted to the people for their approval and ratification, in order that it may become a part of the constitution of this Commonwealth :

Expediency de-  
clared.

Entry and refer-  
ence.

Publishment.

## ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT.

The general court shall have power to provide by law the manner in which any qualified voter of this Commonwealth who is absent in the time of war in the military or naval service of the United States, may vote in the choice of any officer that may be voted for at any election.

Legislature may  
prescribe mode of  
suffrage.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, May 16, 1865.

Passed: ALEX. H. BULLOCK, *Speaker*.

IN SENATE, May 16, 1865.

Passed: J. E. FIELD, *President*.